

2023 Kansas Statutes

82a-1801. Moneys recovered in certain litigation; disposition. (a) All moneys recovered by the state of Kansas from the states of Colorado or Nebraska to resolve disputes arising under the Arkansas river compact or the Republican river compact shall be deposited in the state treasury and credited as follows:

(1) All moneys received from the state of Colorado in any litigation arising under the Arkansas river compact shall be remitted to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of such remittance, the state treasurer shall credit:

(A) To the interstate water litigation fund, the amount equal to the total of 5% of the aggregate moneys received from the state of Colorado in such litigation plus the amount equal to the aggregate of any expenses incurred by the state, which are attributable to the deposit from any such litigation arising under the Arkansas river compact;

(B) one-third of all moneys remaining recovered from the state of Colorado in such litigation to the state water plan fund for use for water conservation projects, with priority given to conservation projects that directly enhance the ability of the state of Kansas to remain in compliance with the Arkansas river compact; and

(C) two-thirds of all moneys remaining recovered from the state of Colorado in such litigation to the Arkansas river water conservation projects fund.

(2) All moneys received from the state of Nebraska in any litigation arising under the Republican river compact shall be remitted to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of such remittance, the state treasurer shall credit:

(A) To the interstate water litigation fund, the amount equal to the total of 5% of the aggregate moneys received from the state of Nebraska in such litigation plus an amount equal to the aggregate of any expenses incurred by the state, which are attributable to the deposit from any such litigation arising under the Republican river compact;

(B) one-third of all moneys remaining recovered from the state of Nebraska in such litigation to the state water plan fund for use for water conservation projects, with priority given to conservation projects that directly enhance the ability of the state of Kansas to remain in compliance with the Republican river compact; and

(C) two-thirds of all moneys remaining recovered from the state of Nebraska in such litigation to the Republican river water conservation projects — Nebraska moneys fund.

(3) All moneys received from the state of Colorado in any litigation arising under the Republican river compact shall be remitted to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of such remittance, the state treasurer shall credit:

(A) To the interstate water litigation fund, the amount equal to the total of 5% of the aggregate moneys received from the state of Colorado in such litigation plus an amount equal to the aggregate of any expenses incurred by the state, which are attributable to the deposit from any such litigation arising under the Republican river compact;

(B) one-third of all moneys remaining recovered from the state of Colorado in such litigation to the state water plan fund for use for water conservation projects, with priority given to conservation projects that directly enhance the ability of the state of Kansas to remain in compliance with the Republican river compact; and

(C) two-thirds of all moneys remaining recovered from the state of Colorado in such litigation to the Republican river water conservation projects — Colorado moneys fund.

(b) The attorney general shall certify to the director of accounts and reports any expenses incurred by the state in any litigation brought by the state of Kansas against the states of Colorado or Nebraska to resolve disputes arising under the Arkansas river compact or the Republican river compact and in preparation for such litigation.

History: L. 1996, ch. 217, § 3; L. 2011, ch. 74, § 2; July 1.